









Charles Nelson had reached his thirty-fifth year, and at that age he found himself going down hill. He had once been one of the happiest of mortals, and no blessing was wanted to complete the sum of his happiness. He had one of the best of wives, and his children were intelligent and comely. He was a carpenter by trade, and no man could command better wages, or be more sure of work. If any man attempted to build a house, Charles Nelson must "boss" the job, and for miles around people sought him to work for them. A change had come over his life. A demon had met him on his way, and he had turned back with the evil spirit. A new and an ominous calamity had been sent for those who could no longer depend upon Nelson, and he had settled in the village, and now took Nelson's place.

On a back street, where the great trees threw their green branches over the way, stood a small cottage, which had been the pride of its inmates. Before it stretched a wide garden, but tall rank grass grew up among the choking flowers, and the paling of the fence was broken in many places. The house itself had once been white, but it was now dingy and dark. Bright green blinds had once adorned the windows, but now they had been taken off and sold. And the windows themselves bespoke poverty and neglect, for in many places the panes were gone, and shingles and old hats and taken its place. A single lock at the house had its accompaniments told the story. It was the drunkard's home.

Within, sat a woman yet in her early years of life, and though she was still handsome to look upon, the bloom was gone from her cheek, and the brightness had faded from her eyes. Poor Mary Nelson! Once she had been the happiest among the people, but now none could be more miserable! Near her sat two children, and both girls, and both beautiful in form and feature; but their garbs were all patched and worn, and their feet were soles. The eldest was thirteen years of age, her sister a few years younger. Their grammar lesson, for she had resolved that her children should never grow up in ignorance. They could not attend the common school, for thoughtless girls sneered at them and made them the object of sport and ridicule; but in this respect they did not suffer, for their mother, as well educated, and she devoted such time as she could spare to their instruction.

For more than two years, Mary Nelson had earned all the money that had been used in the house. People hired her to wash, iron, and sew for them, and besides the money paid, they gave her many articles of food and clothing. So she lived on, and the only joys that dwell with her now were teaching her children and praying to God.

Supper time came, and Charles Nelson came reeling home. He had worked the day before at helping to move a building, and thus had earned money enough to find himself in rum for several days. As he stumbled into the house the children crouched close to their mother, and even she shrank away, for sometimes her husband was ugly when thus intoxicated.

O, how that man had changed! Within two years! Once there was not a finer looking man in the town. In frame he had been tall, stout, compact and perfectly formed, while his face bore the very beautiful ideal of manly beauty. But all was changed now. His nose from the bridge of his limbs shrank and tremulous, and his face all bloated and disfigured. He was not the man who had once been the fond husband and doting father. The loving wife had prayed, and wept, and implored, but all to no purpose; the husband was bound to the drinking companions of the bar-room, and he would not break the bands.

That evening, Mary Nelson ate no supper, for of all the food in the house, there was not more than enough for her husband and children; but when her husband had gone, she went out and picked a few berries, and thus kept her vital energies alive. This night the poor woman prayed long and earnestly, and her little ones prayed with her.

On the following morning Charles Nelson sought the bar-room as soon as he rose, but he was sick and faint, and the liquor would not revive him, for it would not remain on his stomach. He drank very deeply the night before, and he felt miserable. At length, however, he managed to keep down a few glasses of hot sling, but the close atmosphere of the bar-room seemed to stifle him and he went out.

The poor man had sense enough to know that if he could sleep he should feel better, and he had just feeling enough to wish to keep away from home; so he wandered off to a wood not far from the village and sunk down by a stone wall and was soon buried in a profound slumber. When he awoke, the sun was shining down hot upon him, and raising himself to a sitting posture, he gazed about him. He was just on the point of rising, when his motion was arrested by the sound of voices near at hand. He looked through a chink in the wall, and just upon the other side he saw his two children picking berries, while a little further on were two more girls, the children of the carpenter who had lately moved into the village.

"Come, Katy," said one of these latter girls to her companion, "let's go away from here, because if anybody should see us with those girls, they'd think we play with 'em. Cumpy."

"But the berries are so thick here," remonstrated the other.

"Never mind—we'll come out sometime when these little ragged drunkard's girls are not here."

So the two favored ones went away hand in hand, and Nelly and Nancy Nelson sat down upon the grass and cried.

"Don't cry, Nancy," said the eldest, throwing her arms around her sister's neck.

"But you are crying, Nelly."

"O, I can't help it," sobbed the stricken one.

"Why do they blame us?" murmured Nancy, gazing up into her sister's face. "O, we are not to blame. We are good, and kind, and loving, and we never hurt anybody. O, I wish somebody would love us; I should be so happy."

"And we are loved, Nancy. Only think of our noble mother. Who could love us as she does?"

"I know—I know, Nelly; but that ain't all. Why don't papa love us as he used to? Don't you remember when he used to kiss us and made us so happy? O, how I wish he could be so good to us, once more. He is not."

"—oh, sissy! don't say anything more. He may be good to us again; if he, know how we loved him, I know he would. And then I believe God is good, and surely He will help us sometime, for mother prays to Him every day."

"Yes," answered Nancy. "I know she does; and God must be our Father sometime."

"He is our Father, now, sissy."

"I know it, and He must be all we shall have by-and-by, for don't you remember that mother told us that she would take us out of these days? She said a cold dagger was upon her heart, and—"

"—sh! Don't don't, Nancy; you'll—"

The words were choked up with sobs and tears, and the sisters wept long together.

At length they arose and went away, for they saw more children coming. As soon as the little girls were out of sight, Charles Nelson started to his feet. His hands were clenched, and his eyes were fixed upon a vacant point with an eager gaze.

"My God!" he gasped. "What a villain I am! Look at me now! What a state I am in, and what I have sacrificed to bring myself to! And they love me yet, and pray for me!"

He said no more, but for some moments he stood with his hands still clenched, and his eyes fixed. At length his gaze was turned upward, and his clasped hands were raised above his head. A moment he remained so, and then his hands dropped by his side, and he started homeward. When he reached his home he found his wife and children in tears, but he affected to notice it not. He drew a shilling from his pocket—he was his last—and handing it to his wife, he asked her if she would send and get him some porridge. The wife was startled by the tone in which this was spoken, for it sounded as in days gone by.

The porridge was made nice and nourishing, and Charles ate it all. He went to bed early, and early on the following day he was up. He asked his wife if she had milk and flour enough to make him another bowl of porridge.

"Yes, Charles," she said, "we have not touched it."

"Then if you are willing, I should like some more."

The wife moved quickly about the work, and ere long the bowl was prepared. The husband ate it, and he felt better. He washed and dressed, and would have shaved had his hand been steady enough. He left his home and went at once to a man who had just commenced to frame a house.

"Mr. Manly," he said, addressing the gentleman alluded to, "I have drank the last drop of alcoholic beverage that ever passes my lips. Ask me no more questions, but believe me, now while you see me true. Will you give me work?"

"Charles Nelson, are you in earnest?" asked Manly in surprise.

"So much so, sir, that were death to stand upon my right hand, and yonder bar-room upon my left, I would go with the grim messenger first."

"Then here is my house lying about in its rough timber and boards. I place it all in your hands, and I'll look to you to finish it. While I can trust you, you can trust me. Come into my office and you shall see the plan I have drawn."

We will not tell you how the stout man wept, nor how his noble friend shed tears to see him thus; but Charles Nelson took the plan, and having studied it for a while, he went out where the men were at work getting the timber together, and Mr. Manly introduced him as their master. That day he worked but little, for he was not strong yet, but he arranged the timber, and gave directions for framing. At night he asked his employer if he dared trust him with a dollar.

"Why, you have earned three," returned Manly.

"And will you pay me three dollars a day?"

"If you are as faithful as you have been to-day, for you will save me money at that."

The poor man could not speak his thanks in words, but his looks spoke for him, and Manly understood them. He received his three dollars, and on his way home he stopped first and bought a basket, then three loaves of bread, and a pound of butter, some tea, sugar, and a piece of beef-steak, and he had just one dollar and seventy-five cents left. With his hand he went home. It was some time before he could compose himself to enter the house, but at length he went in and laid the basket upon the table.

"Come Mary," he said, "I have brought something home for supper. Here Nelly, you take the pail and run over to Mr. Brown's and get two quarts of milk."

He handed the child a shilling as he spoke, and in a half bewildered state she took the money and hurried away.

The wife started when she raised the cover of the basket, but she dared not speak. She moved about like one in a dream, and ever and anon she would cast a furtive glance at her husband. He had not been drinking—she knew it—and yet he had money enough to buy rum with if he wanted it. What could it mean? Had her prayer been answered? O, how fervently she prayed then.

Soon Nelly returned with the milk, and Mrs. Nelson set the table out. After supper, Charles arose and said to his wife:

"I must go to Mr. Manly's office to help him to arrange some plans for his new house, but I will be at home early."

A pang shot through the wife's heart as she saw her husband turn away, but still she was far happier than she had been before for a long while. There was something in his manner that assured her, and gave her hope.

Just as the clock struck nine, the well known footstep, strong and steady. The door opened and Charles entered. His wife cast a quick glance into his face, and she almost uttered a cry of joy when she saw how he was changed for the better. He had been to the barber's and hatter's. Yet nothing was said upon the all-important subject. Charles wished to retire early, and his wife went with him. In the morning the husband arose first and built the fire. Mary had not slept till long after midnight, having been kept awake by the tumultuous emotions that had started up in her bosom, and hence she awoke not so early as usual. But she came out just as the tea-kettle and potatoes began to boil, and breakfast was soon ready.

After the meal was eaten Charles arose, put on his hat, and then turning to his wife he asked:

"What do you do to-day?"

"I must wash for Mrs. Bixby."

"Are you willing to obey me once more?"

"O—yes."

"Then work for me to-day. Send Nelly over to tell Mrs. Bixby that you are not well enough to wash, for you are not. Here is a dollar, and you must do with it as you please. Buy something that will keep you busy for yourself or children."

Mr. Nelson turned towards the door and his hand was upon the latch. He hesitated, and turned back. He did not speak, but he opened his arms; and his wife sank upon his bosom. He kissed her, and then having gently placed her in a seat, he left the house. When he went to his work that morning he felt well and very happy. Mr. Manly was by to cheer him, and this he did by talking and acting as though Charles had never been unfortunate at all.

It was Saturday evening, and Nelson had been almost a week without rum. He had earned fifteen dollars, ten of which he had now in his pocket.

"Mary," he said, after the supper table had been cleared away, "here are ten dollars for you, and I want you to expend it in clothing for yourself and children. I have earned fifteen dollars during the last five days. I am to build Square Manly's great house, and he pays me three dollars a day. A good job, isn't it?"

Mary looked up, and her lips moved, but she could not speak a word. She struggled a few moments and then burst into tears. Her husband took her by the arm and drew her upon his lap, and then pressed her to his bosom.

"Mary," he whispered, while the tears ran down his own cheeks, "you are not deceived. I am Charles Nelson once more, and will be so again. No more rum, no more gambling, no more cloud over your head. And then he told her of the words he had heard on the previous Monday, while he lay behind the wall.

Never before," said he, "did I fully realize how low I had fallen, but the scales dropped from my eyes then as though some one had struck them off with a sledge. My soul started up to a standpoint from which all the tempters of earth cannot move it. Your prayers are answered, my wife."

Time passed on, and the cottage assumed its garb of pure white, and its whole interior and garden blossomed. The roses in the garden smiled, and in every way did the improvement work. Once again was Mary Nelson among the happiest of the happy, and their children choose their own associates now.

Jamestown Daily Gazette.

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 1864.

FIFTH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT CONVENTION.

The Republican Union electors of the 5th Assembly District composed of the city of Jamestown, are requested to assemble at a District Convention to be held in the Common Council Room, on Monday, the 21st day of March inst., at 7 o'clock in the evening, to elect delegates to the Union State Convention to be held in Madison on the 30th inst., which State Convention will appoint delegates to the National Convention to be held in Baltimore on the 7th of June next. The several wards will be entitled to the following number of delegates: First Ward, 3; Second Ward, 3; Third Ward, 4; 4th Ward, 1.

By order of the Rep. Union Com.

THIRD ASSEMBLY DISTRICT CONVENTION.

The Union electors of the towns of Clinton, Bradford, Johnston and La Prairie are requested to send their usual number of delegates to a District Convention to be held at the Emerald Grove House, in Emerald Grove, on the 26th day of March inst., at two o'clock P. M., to appoint delegates to the Union State Convention to be held in Madison on the 30th inst., which State Convention will appoint delegates to the National Convention to be held in Baltimore on the 7th of June next.

By order of Assembly Committee.

FROM MADISON.

Editorial Correspondence.

MADISON, March 16, 1864.

In the Senate this morning, Senator A. H. Young introduced a bill to divide the 8th Judicial Circuit and organize the 11th circuit. On motion of Senator Kelsey the bill to provide for the removal of Green Lake county seat was indefinitely postponed. A memorial to Congress was passed praying for a grant of land to aid the Southern Minnesota Railroad Company to continue their work. This line of road is but a continuation of the La Crosse road through the richest portion of the State of Minnesota.

The Emigration Commissioner bill came up on special order, and after the adoption of two or three amendments and the rejection of several, it was ordered to a third reading.

Just before the Assembly was called to order this morning, a gentleman called the attention of the members present to the case of a widow whose husband, a soldier in Camp Randall, had died after an illness of two days, leaving the woman entirely destitute. A collection of \$33.00 was taken up in a couple of minutes, sufficient to send the bereft one back to her lonely home in Eau Claire.

Petitions were presented to increase the wages of employees in the State Prison; to remit \$300 of the State tax to Douglas county on account of the confiscation of real estate owned by rebels in Superior City, on which the State tax cannot be collected, and for uniform tariff of freights on railroads.

A resolution to hold afternoon sessions from and after Monday next was adopted.

Bills were introduced to incorporate the Lomonweir Copper Mining Company. To authorize the several wards of Racine to raise bounty money by tax. To amend the act legalizing the acts of the Oconomowoc Cemetery Association. For a ferry across the Mississippi in the town of Isabelle. To change the time of holding the annual school meeting in District No. 5, Wauwatosa—passed. To amend La Crosse city charter—passed; also a bill to authorize La Crosse city to aid railroads. To amend charter of Milwaukee Mechanics Insurance Company. To charter the St. Croix Falls & Junction Railroad Company. For the relief of the Manitowish County Agricultural Society—passed. To amend the charter of the Tomah & Lake St. Croix Railroad, and to annul a portion of the grant of land heretofore made to the La Crosse Railroad Company.

The bill making the finding of juries in farm mortgage cases final, was passed.

Important amendments were made to the militia law by the Assembly in Committee of the Whole, Mr. Starks in the chair.

If every interest in this State should send up as many lobby members here in proportion as the railroad companies have since the introduction of the pro rata tariff bill, there wouldn't be food enough in Madison to furnish the crowd with a single meal. They are not quite as thick as the plagues of Egypt, if history is to be believed, but very near as annoying. All the roads are thoroughly united and playing their best card.

A. M. T.

RISEN TO DISTINCTION.—As might have been expected, Col. Lehman, formerly of the 25th regiment, who took two companies of his command to back him in flogging a single and defenseless local editor of Milwaukee some months ago, has at last risen to fame by an in-famous transaction. He has just been convicted in the Milwaukee Circuit Court, of seducing a little girl, and has been fined \$500. Such shining attributes of bravery as he exhibited on the occasion above alluded to, would very naturally bring him to distinction sooner or later.

THE FULL returns from New Hampshire will settle the Union majority at about 5,600. The total vote is about 1,300 more than that of last year. The Legislature will probably stand thus: Union—Senate, 9; House, 207; Democrats—Senate, 3; House, 124; Union majority on joint ballot, 89; last year, 53. This will do.

GENERAL ROSECRANS AND THE BATTLE AT CHICKAMAUGA.—Gen. Rosecrans has been fully acquitted of blame in the management of the fight at Chickamauga, in the report of the Commission of Inquiry ordered by the War Department.

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SPECIAL NOTICES.

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REMOVAL.

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 Our entire Stock of Goods to be closed out, preparatory to the opening of the spring trade. Sale to continue thirty days from date, or until the

**First Day of February, 1864!**

All our Black and Fancy Silks Reduced in price 40 per cent.!

All our Fall and Winter Cloaks Reduced in price 40 per cent.!

All our Brocho Shawls Reduced in price 40 per cent.!

All our Linen Goods Reduced in price 40 per cent.!

All our Balmoral and Hoop Skirts Reduced in price 40 per cent.!

All our Embroideries Reduced in price 40 per cent.!

All our Imported Dress Goods Reduced in price 40 per cent.!

ALL OUR  
**READY MADE CLOTHING!!**  
 REDUCED IN PRICE 40 PER CENT.!

In addition to our large stock bought this Fall, we are now daily receiving from New York a large lot of goods purchased by our buyer, Mr. Lyons, at the great following sales of the season, which are now selling at 60 cents on the dollar from the prices paid the early part of the fall, and are determined to give our customers the benefit of the same for the next thirty days; and for general information we annex a list of prices, qualities, etc:

All our seed and double-faced silks, in black and any colors, at 11 shillings per yard, always sold at 9 shillings; black dress silk, 36 yard wide, at 9 shillings; plain solid color do. only 10 shillings; black dress silks, 36 yard wide, old Italian silk, 10 shillings; black dress silk, 36 yard wide, all belted Italian silk, 12 shillings, always sold at 14 shillings; a large lot of remnants of fancy silks at 50 cents per yard. We call particular attention to the price of French 100 pieces double-width, in drab, brown, etc., at 9 shillings per yard, being a reduction of three shillings from former prices; all our mohair, poplins and all other styles of dress goods at a reduction

**OF FORTY PER CENT!**

**CLOAKS! CLOAKS! CLOAKS!**  
 All our Moscow and Canton beaver cloaks, sold from \$25 to \$20 dollars, will be now sold from \$12 to \$8 dollars; our 10 dollar cloaks at 7 to 7 dollars; all our cloaks, cloth at a great reduction; sealskin cloakings at \$25 per yard, bear skin \$25.00.

**FURS! FURS! FURS!**  
 Capes reduced from \$10.50 to \$7.50; 6 dozen mufflers in different qualities at \$2.75 to \$5.00; mink furs \$8 each.

**HOOP SKIRTS!!**  
 Having purchased a manufacturer's stock of Hoop Skirts at a great reduction, we will sell for the next thirty days our immense stock of hoop skirts at a reduction of 40 per cent. from our present prices; for instance, we will sell all our four-core diamond skirts at one-half per hoop, and all our other kinds in the same proportion.

Balmorals sold at \$2.50, now at \$2.00  
 " " \$3.50, now at \$2.75  
 " " \$4.50 to \$5, now at \$4.00  
 " " \$5.00, now at \$3.75  
 " " \$6.00 to \$4.00, now at \$3.75

We have now on hand

**Two Thousand Balmoral Skirts!**  
 Which we bought at auction, and will sell for thirty days at above prices. A large lot of Kid Gloves at one shilling per pair. Alexander genuine gloves (no boguans) in and embroidered backs, at one dollar and fifty cents per pair. The balance of our millinery goods at a great reduction.

**Splendid Stock of French Embroidery Just Received;**

**Clothing! Clothing!!**  
 The coats which we have been selling at seven dollars and a half, and balance in same proportion, to be now sold for spring clothing, also our entire stock of hats, etc. A large lot of

**PREPETS, OIL CLOTH, STRAW MATTING!**  
 A cheap door mat just received. In conclusion, we say, we never had a

**MORE COMPLETE STOCK**  
 than we have this day, selected carefully to meet the wants and tastes of this community. Any goods remaining will be sold, as our buyer, Mr. Lyons, is personally located in New York City, attending exclusively to the purchase of goods for our different departments.

**Passage Certificates For Sale!**  
 From Great Britain, Ireland, France and Germany, and almost every part of Continental Europe, for the winter and spring seasons, at one dollar and fifty cents, the lowest rates.  
 McKee & Brother, Broker, Foreign prices paid for.

**FOREIGN AND AMERICAN GOLD AND SILVER COIN!**  
 We are for New York and Foreign Exchange.  
 We are personally responsible for any business we conduct in the above line.  
 Respectfully Yours,  
**McKee & Brother,**  
 South Street, Sign of the Golden Hammer, East Side.







The Charleston Courier of the 4th says: "During Saturday night a 100-pounder Parrott struck a building, entering through the roof, and, after shattering a bedstead on which the family, including three small children, were sleeping, passed through to the lower floor and exploded, causing some destruction to the building, but not injuring any one. The escape of the occupants of the house is regarded as almost miraculous, and the place has been visited by crowds of citizens, civil and military."

A large fire in Savannah, Ga., originating at the northwest corner of Purse and Jones streets, had destroyed eleven buildings. Estimated loss \$100,000; no insurance. The families rendered homeless had lost nearly all their furniture. The colored firemen were reported in the Savannah Republican to have worked the engines and fought the fire with "their wonted energy, and never to have exerted themselves with a better will or more determined purpose."

A country editor living on the line of a railroad, sent to the superintendent of the road for a pass for himself, and added, "please embrace my wife." The superintendent returned a pass to the editor, but declined the proposed honor.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SPRING STYLE!

SILK HATS!

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Also a Splendid Assortment of

New Hats and Caps!

Trunks and Rail Road Bags!

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Successor to W. H. Hollister.

In the Myers Block, Main Street!

Has moved to the adjoining store south, and has a large addition to the stock that I am now opening, where may be found the

The Largest and Best Assortment

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Canes, Umbrellas, &c., &c.

Old Furs repaired.

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all renewals as well as new policies on that Company's business will be attended to only by

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Until further notice.

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An article that makes beautiful soap, both hard and

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The best thing yet for Kerosene Lamps. They will

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HOUSES on the northwest corner of Bluff and

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